## EDWARDS COUNTY RESOLUTION REQUESTION THAT GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT IMMEDIATELY DECLARE THE COTINUEING CRISIS AT OUR BORDER WITH MEXICO AN INVASION

WHEREAS, Edwards County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Edwards County Commissioners' Court believe in the Rule of Law under the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS; These rights are retained by the People and protected by the Constitution of these United States, and the Constitution of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Article IV Section 4 of the United States Constitution states: "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence," and

WHEREAS, the surge of illegal crossing is a direct consequence of President Biden's failure to secure the Texas Border with Mexico as required by "Article 4, Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution," and

WHEREAS, the residents of Edwards County have seen an increase in property damages, theft of property, human trafficking, drug smuggling and other crimes due to the surge of illegals in Edwards County and no longer feel safe within their homes and on their property, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Section 10 allows states, even without the consent of Congress, to raise troops to fight an "invasion" when "imminent danger will not admit of delay," and

WHEREAS: the Texas Constitution,, Article 4, Section 7 gives the Governor authority over the state troops, including calling up the militia to "repel invasions," and

WHEREAS, due to the Biden administration failure to contain the continuing border crisis, the Edwards County Judge on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 signed a "DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER" in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Edwards County Residents

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED; that the Edwards County Commissioners' Court issues the follow request:

That Governor Greg Abbott immediately declare the crisis at the Texas - Mexico Border an "Invasion" and Call up the State Guard along with the Texas Department of Public Safety and Texas Rangers to work in conjunction with local law enforcement and repel said invasion.

Presented and passed by the Edwards County Commissioners' Court this 12th day of July 2022.

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